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11 June 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, New Building Project Office, OL

FROM:

SUBJECT: Cracks in Ground Floor Walls

1. On 9 June 1986, I noticed cracks in E Section Ground Floor block walls as follows:

South Bathroom, South Wall, inside below third I beam.  
The crack runs vertically through at least 6 courses of block.

North Bathroom, North Wall, inside below third I beam.  
The crack runs vertically through at least 5 courses of block.

2. I asked the CEI engineer, Gopal Pilai, to look at the above walls since concrete slabs were recently poured on the decks above these I beams. He saw me on 11 June and told me he had looked at the area. He said the walls are structurally unsound in each area of cracking because the wall is only made of 1/2 width blocks under the I beams. That was done to get the wall around vertical columns immediately outside each bathroom wall, at the third I beam. I'm bringing this to your attention because I'm unsure corrective action will be taken without Agency input.

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